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Ration Cards

1. Laborers working for the government and civil servants are issued ration cards. There are five categories of ration cards lettered from "A" to "E". [redacted] the quantity of food issued to the holder of the "C" card, [redacted] is as follows:

	<u>Grams</u>	<u>Cost</u>	
Bread	800 per day	6 leks per kg.	25X1
Sugar	600 per month	40 leks per kg.	
Olive oil	500 per month	50 leks per kg.	25X1
Macaroni	1500 per month	20 leks per kg.	
Rice	400 per month	20 leks per kg.	
Meat	1500 per month	50 leks per kg.	25X1

Commodity Prices

2. The following are the prices of basic commodities which can be purchased without presenting a ration card:

Bread, black	60 leks per kg.	25X1
Bread, white	85-90 leks per kg.	
Meat	220-260 leks per kg.	
Cheese	250-300 leks per kg.	25X1
Cheese (kaseri)	400 leks per kg.	
Butter	500-600 leks per kg.	
Milk	50-60 leks per kg.	
Olive oil	120-130 leks per kg.	

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Beans	120-130 leks per kg.
Rice	150 leks per kg.
Macaroni	80 leks per kg.
Sugar	250 leks per kg.
Soap	150 leks per kg.
Eggs	8-10 leks each
Cigarettes	12-25 leks per pkg. of 20 ciagarettes.
Cloth (inferior quality)	1,000 leks per meter
Slippers	500 leks per pair
Meat	45 leks per portion in a public restaurant

3. A meal without meat in a public restaurant costs 15-20 leks. Sleeping accomodation in a hotel costs 30-50 leks per day.

Wages

4. The daily wage of an un-skilled laborer is from 120-140 leks. A laborer may earn additional money if he works overtime.

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